

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as indicated below:

1. (PREVIOUSLY AMENDED) A process of making a liquid ink comprising the steps of:
 - (a) dissolving a first polymer comprising units derived from at least a nitrogen-containing polymerizable monomer in a solvent with a Kauri-Butanol number greater than 30 to form a polymer solution, wherein said nitrogen atom is present in a functional group selected from the group consisting of amine groups;
 - (b) dispersing colorant pigment particles in said polymer solution to form a colorant pigment dispersion;
 - (c) removing at least some of said solvent from said colorant pigment dispersion to form treated colorant pigment particles with an outer layer of the first polymer; and
 - (d) dispersing said treated colorant pigment particles in an organosol containing a second polymer carried in a carrier liquid having a Kauri-Butanol number less than 30.
2. (PREVIOUSLY CANCELLED)
3. (ORIGINAL) A process of making a liquid ink according to claim 1 wherein the dispersion resulting from step b) further comprises a charge director
4. (PREVIOUSLY AMENDED) A process of making a liquid ink according to claim 1 wherein said nitrogen-containing polymerizable monomer is selected from the group consisting of methacrylates or acrylates having aliphatic amino radicals, nitrogen containing heterocyclic vinyl monomers, aromatic substituted ethylene monomers containing nitrogen radicals, and nitrogen-containing vinyl-ether monomers.
5. (ORIGINAL) A process of making a liquid ink according to claim 1 wherein the colorant pigment is carbon black.

6. (PREVIOUSLY AMENDED) A process of making a liquid ink comprising the steps of:

- (a) dissolving a first polymer comprising units derived from at least a nitrogen-containing polymerizable monomer in a solvent with a Kauri-Butanol number greater than 30 to form a polymer solution, wherein said nitrogen atom is present in a group selected from the group consisting of amine groups;
- (b) dispersing colorant pigment particles in said polymer solution to form a colorant pigment dispersion;
- (c) precipitating treated colorant pigment particles from said colorant pigment dispersion, the treated colorant pigment comprising pigment with said first polymer precipitated thereon; and
- (d) dispersing said treated colorant pigment particles in an organosol containing a second polymer suspended in a carrier liquid having a Kauri-Butanol number less than 30.

7. (PREVIOUSLY CANCELLED)

8. (ORIGINAL) A process of making a liquid ink according to claim 6 wherein the dispersion formed in step b) further comprises a charge director.

9. (PREVIOUSLY CANCELLED).

10. (ORIGINAL) A process of making a liquid ink according to claim 6 wherein the colorant pigment is carbon black.

11. (PREVIOUSLY AMENDED) A liquid ink comprising:

- (a) a carrier liquid having a Kauri-Butanol number less than 30;
- (b) an organosol carrying a first polymer; and

(c) colorant pigment particles surface-treated by a second polymer soluble in a solvent having a Kauri-Butanol number greater than 30 and comprising units derived from at least a nitrogen-containing polymerizable monomer, wherein said nitrogen atom is present in a functional group selected from the group consisting of amine groups.

12. (ORIGINAL) The liquid ink of claim 11 wherein the surface-treated particle is surface-treated by application of a coating or chemical modification of the surface.

13. (ORIGINAL) A liquid ink according to claim 11 wherein said liquid ink further comprises a charge director.

14. (PREVIOUSLY AMENDED) A liquid ink according to claim 11 wherein said nitrogen-containing polymerizable monomer is selected from the group consisting of methacrylates or acrylates having aliphatic amino radicals, nitrogen containing heterocyclic vinyl monomers, aromatic substituted ethylene monomers containing nitrogen radicals, and nitrogen-containing vinylether monomers.

15. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A liquid ink according to claim 11 wherein said first polymer has a weight average molecular weight between 50,000 and 150,000 Daltons.

16. (ORIGINAL) A liquid ink according to claim 11 wherein said colorant pigment is carbon black.